

## VINCENTIANS

Thronged St. Patrick's Church  
For Annual Communion  
Sunday.

Are Welcomed by Vicar General  
Cronin in an Eloquent  
Sermon.

Hundreds Attend Afternoon Ses-  
sion and Hear Thomas  
Walsh.

## FATHER DEPPEN'S SUGGESTION

St. Patrick's church, Thirteenth and Market, has been the scene of many notable religious events, but none which should make deeper impression than that last Sunday morning, when the Vincentians of Louisville almost filled that edifice and observed the feast of their patron by receiving holy communion from the hands of Vicar General Cronin, the pastor. Father Cronin was the celebrant of the mass and extended the Vincentians a most hearty welcome in his sermon, which was brief but forceful, and in which he said:

"Such a body of men who so unselfishly work for the glory of God and the benefit of their distressed neighbors, who so piously and devoutly approach the holy table, needs little sermonizing. To see you men of business, men from the shops and the mills, men of the law, doctors, all classes and kinds of men, coming with the faith of little children to the Eucharistic banquet, is the best sermon I know. You can not realize what good you are doing by your example. What a consolation it is to know that in this time of skepticism, of denial of God and his Divine Son, of contempt for religion and disregard for the moral law, the men of the Catholic church still are faithful. What a rebuke it is to those who would proclaim that Christianity is dying out, what a tremendous proof that the Catholic church possesses the solid truth, for otherwise she could not hold her men, surrounded as they are by a world gone mad with unbelief, a world reeking with moral tepsy. Such a sight as this is a consolation to the priest to do more to save souls, but greatest of all it is the loyalty of Catholic men, especially in the matter of frequent holy communion, that encourages him to go on with his glorious battle against the enemies of the church and of God, to restore, as he promised, all things in Christ."

The regular quarterly meeting was held in the afternoon in the Knights of Columbus Hall on Fourth street, President John J. Caffrey occupying the chair. After the reading of the conference reports and the enrollment of new members, Attorney Thomas Walsh delivered the principal address. "It is surely a pleasure to be asked to address you men, for you are the kind that we must admire," said the attorney. "You practice what you preach; you reduce your religion to your daily lives; you exemplify to the non-believing world what the true spirit of the Catholic church is. If we wish to repeat every fault, to confront the church, we need but say, 'Look at the St. Vincent de Paul Society,' and then ask, 'Does the Catholic church develop the true practice of the gospel counsels?' The enemies of the church have no answer. You constitute the real bulwark of the faith of the church. The work which the St. Vincent de Paul Society does is not like that of so many so-called charitable organizations. I do not wish to be unkind and I am thankful for what good those organizations do, but, gentlemen, we must admit that the charity which is ever seeking public applause and self-glory is hardly the charity of Jesus Christ. Why, the motto of some of these organizations seems to be 'Hurrah for us!' On the other hand, your work is an expression of that spirit of brotherly love which runs all through the Catholic church, and you men are engaged in it solely for love of our Divine Lord and your fellow men."

"God in his inscrutable ways has ordained that man should be a social creature. Whether we will it or not, we are all working for each other. The farmer is raising wheat and potatoes and chickens for his city neighbor, and the city man is tolling the make boots or wagons or gloves for the farmer. The more society develops, the more dependent do we become upon each other. But these mutual services are done because of the hope of mutual benefit. It's quite another story when we are asked to give of our means to one from whom we can expect nothing. This is where Christ's gospel comes in; this is the chance for the Christian to prove himself. This is where so much of the so-called Christianity stops short. There is one truth which we can not get away from, and that is death. All the deeds and minutes of our lives will pass before us as a panorama in that fatal hour. What will it profit us, then, if we have built great buildings, learned much of science and history and language? What will it matter how beautiful we may have been, how much men may have courted our favor or how old our deeds? What will all this avail us if we have lived selfishly, if we have denied Christ by denying his poor? The most terrible words spoken in the whole word of

God are those directed against the oppressors of the widow and the fatherless and the outcast. The holy writer declares that such are brothers to the murderer.

"On the other hand, how peaceful will be the last hour, how comforting will be our hope, if we have loved the poor, if we have sought out and ministered to those in need! The recollection of having given a glass of cold water in Jesus' name will be worth more than all the wealth and learning and glory the whole world can give. St. Paul mentions three virtues, faith, hope and charity, but he boldly says the greatest of these is charity. Let us ponder well his statement, that if we speak as angels but have not charity, we are as sounding brass and tinkling cymbal. If we are such, we are frauds, we are pharisees, we are not true sons of our holy mother, the church, for verily she is the charity of God expressed among men."

Much interest was shown in the suggestion of the Very Rev. Father Deppen, the Record's venerable editor, that a great meeting under the auspices of the St. Vincent de Paul Society be held here in the fall to celebrate the Universal Jubilee which Pope Pius has proclaimed in commemoration of the Emperor Constantine granting freedom to the church. He further urged that Cardinal Gibbons be asked to sing the opening Pontifical high mass and deliver the principal address. The matter was referred to the particular Council, which is composed of delegates from the twenty-two conferences, and will be taken up at its next meeting.

## CATHOLIC FORESTERS

The twenty-first international convention of the Catholic Order of Foresters will be held here August 5 to 7, with headquarters at the Seelbach Hotel, and from all indications it will be one of the most pleasant, important and memorable events in the history of the organization. The members of the order in Kentucky have been working faithfully for the success of the convention, and when the delegates and visitors arrive they will find nothing overlooked that would add to the pleasure of their pleasure, comfort or convenience.

One of the noteworthy features of the convention will be the presence of Past Chief Ranger John F. Scanlon, the first High Chief Ranger of the order, and in addition to this might be mentioned the presence of J. P. Lauth, P. J. Cahill and John C. Schubert, all Past High Chief Rangers. Monday officers, delegates and visitors will be met and escorted to the headquarters at the Seelbach Hotel. Monday evening there will be a smoker and reception at the Tyler Hotel, where all may register and become acquainted. Tuesday morning there will be Pontifical mass at the Cathedral, the mass being sung by a full male choir. After the mass the convention will be called to order at the roof garden of the Seelbach. The addresses of welcome will be delivered by Lieut. Gov. Edward J. McDermott on behalf of the State; Mayor W. O. Head of the city, and Camden R. McKee on behalf of Central Chapter. On Tuesday afternoon there will be given a car ride to the visitors, which will end at Spring Bank Park, where there will be a good old-fashioned barbecue; on Wednesday there will be an evening entertainment at Fontaine Ferry Park, and on Thursday evening there will be a moonlight excursion. Special parties will be arranged by the committees for the ladies and visiting members who do not care to attend the entire proceedings of the convention.

The following item taken from the Hammond Times, will be interesting to the many friends of Stephen Dunigan, a former Louisville resident and refers to the letting of \$45,000 worth of road building contracts. "S. B. Dunigan was formerly connected with the contracting firm of Downey & Potts and is a road builder of experience. There are other stockholders in the Dunigan, Fredericks & Co., whose names have not been made public, but 'Phil' McLaughlin, the Mayor of Saxony," is said to be one of them. The company expects to be incorporated for more than \$25,000 and Mr. Dunigan will be the company's President. Last year Mr. Dunigan's company built \$45,000 worth of asphalt streets alone."

## STEVE DUNIGAN'S SUCCESS.

On next Wednesday, July 30, the members of the St. Frances of Rome church, Payne and Cavewood streets, in Clifton, will give a lawn fete, euchre and lotto on the lawn adjoining the church. The proceeds will be for the benefit of the school fund of the church, and the St. Frances people cordially invite their friends and the friends of their church to lend their presence to the occasion, spend a delightful afternoon and evening socially, help in a good cause and all for only a few cents. The euchre and lotto will take place in the afternoon. A large number of handsome prizes have been donated.

## TRINITY COUNCIL.

A well attended meeting of Trinity Council, Y. M. C. I., was held Monday night, when much routine business was transacted. Though not final, the reports from the picnic committee were very gratifying, giving assurance that the Phoenix Hill affair was a decided success. Trinity's next event will be its trip to Mammoth Cave on Sunday, August 31. The tickets for this will be \$1.50, and will include railroad fare, hotel bill and cave fee.

## M'DERMOTT

Expressions of Appreciation Following Lexington Labor Trouble.

People of the Bluegrass Section Grateful to the Acting Governor.

The Masses Hail Him as a Just Ruler and Most Wise Counselor.

## UNEQUALLED AS AN ARBITRATOR

The firmness and justice displayed by Gov. Edward J. McDermott in the settlement of the street railway strike at Lexington stamp him as one of the great men of the hour and has won for him the respect and confidence of the people of Kentucky and the country. That our readers may know how his services are appreciated in the Bluegrass region we reproduce comments from the three Lexington papers, which verify what we said in our last issue. Under the heading, "Cause For Rejoicing," the Lexington Herald said:

"It is needless for us to express our gratification at the settlement of the strike; equally needless to express our appreciation of the good offices of Gov. McDermott in bringing about a settlement satisfactory alike to the striking employees and to the officers of the traction company. Every citizen must rejoice that the strike is ended, settled without further bloodshed, violence or destruction of property and without the troops being sent to Lexington by the Governor. It was a wise, many and considerate course for the Governor to come to Lexington to investigate conditions before taking action ordering out the troops; it was particularly fortunate that he exercised his level red head as a mediator and brought together in accord the warring elements. Both the leaders of the strikers and the officers of the company are satisfied with the agreement that was made and gratified at the result; they and all other citizens of Lexington have cause to be profoundly grateful to Gov. McDermott."

The Tribune, of that city, with "Hail to McDermott," had this to say:

"Kentucky's Lieutenant Governor, and at the present moment the Acting Governor of Kentucky, rose to the occasion, met it and we Lexingtonians are all for McDermott. God bless his level red head. On an appeal to send the militia to the capital of the Bluegrass the Governor came himself instead. It did not take him long to size up the situation. With the city full of bullets, whose importation caused a riot, the Governor, being a true Kentuckian, realized that you can not crush manhood with a gatling gun, and appealed to reason and common sense instead. The result is Lexington is in peace, normal business conditions are restored, and this fair city will now proceed on its way, growing, expanding and occasionally when the occasion demands it, yelling for McDermott. An emotional governor would have had troops on every corner; the rifle ruling the community instead of justice and reason, with the result that man would have been arrayed against man; business paralyzed for days and perhaps weeks and this beautiful city of ours torn by passion. Lexington will ever owe Gov. McDermott an act of gratitude and the Tribune today hails him as a just ruler and a wise counselor."

The Lexington Leader, also hailing Gov. McDermott, comments him in the following editorial:

"The street car strike, with its potent elements of danger, was brought to a close Tuesday afternoon through the good offices of Acting Governor McDermott, who, inviting employees and employers to meet with him, brought them to an agreement before he left. Acting Governor E. J. McDermott is the first Governor of a Commonwealth to leave the Capitol to go to the scene of a riot and a strike and settle it. That he stands unequalled as an arbitrator is unquestioned, since it only required twenty-four hours for him to settle a strike which seemed an impossibility Monday morning. He practically spent twenty-four hours listening to one side, then to the other, until he understood every point of the trouble. The crisis called for a strong man to handle it, and Gov. McDermott proved himself exactly the right man in the right place. The Leader is not fully advised of the details of the discussion which took place behind the closed doors of the conference room. But it is known that the forceful, well judged suggestions of the Governor made to the representative of the Traction Company and then to the strikers' committee, drew both factions toward each other, until a mutual understanding was reached, and the success of the conference is due to the confidence which both sides held in the man from Frankfort and to the spirit of conciliation which both sides exhibited. Gov. McDermott has won the sincere gratitude of all Lexington for coming at once to the scene of action and for his efforts in bringing about a restoration of normal conditions."

"Oh, he's little, but he's wise. He's a terror for his size. And he does not advertise. Do you, Ned?"

## COMING EVENTS.

Spring Bank Club—Barbecue and fish fry, Spring Bank Park, July 24 and 25.

Lawn Euchre and Lotto—St. Columba's church, July 29-30, on church grounds.

Ladies of St. John's church—Lawn fete August 5-8, Barrett and Breckinridge.

St. Peter's Church—Outing at Spring Bank Park, August 6. Jeffersontown—Picnic and supper for St. Edward's church, August 12.

St. William's—Festival and detective contest, on church grounds, August 12-13.

St. Joseph's Orphanage—Annual picnic, on Orphanage grounds, August 29.

Church of Our Lady—Lawn fete, church grounds, Thirty-fifth and Rudd, August 19-20.

Knights of Columbus—Outing and picnic, Fern Grove, August 21.

Catholic Knights of America—Excursion to Jasper, Ind., via Southern Railway, August 31.

## BAD EFFECT.

The Morning Herald's Anti-Louisville Campaign Bearing Fruit.

New Haven Echo Expresses Sentiment of Out-of-Town Buyers.

Holler Than Thou Progressives Don't Mind Forging Names.

## EX-POLICEMEN ARE STILL BUSY

For further proof of the contention of the Kentucky Irish American the past couple of weeks that the local Progressive organ, the Louisville Herald, was injuring the good name of the city in innumerable ways and hurting local business by frightening prospective buyers away from here, the following clipping is taken from the New Haven Echo, published at New Haven, and one of the most influential papers in the Fourth district:

"Does the Louisville Herald and the Louisville Post consider it safe for people on the outside to visit that city? This is the question that is confronting the people on the outside that peruse these papers. Can a lady from the country walk the streets of that city without being insulted and beat up by some burly policeman? These are questions we would like to know, for our ladies go to the city some times, and we want to warn them to stay away until such times as they can visit there with safety. We had hardly believed the Falls City as bad as it is painted by its own papers, but they are in a better position to know about it than we are, and if all they say is true Louisville is a good place to visit. Or is all this exposure mere political buncombe to put their ticket over in the coming election? If so, truly the good and progressive people of that city are to be pitied."

The above shows the damage being done by our anti-Louisville papers, the Herald especially, which inaugurated these wild stories of bur bur burglaries and the aid of ex-Chief Haager's detective agency and several ex-policemen to spy on the present police department, and by the way, these same ex-policemen wouldn't have been "ex's" today if they had been sober and faithful in the discharge of their duties.

The trials in the Circuit Court during the past several days have awakened the general public to the class of men comprising the Progressive party, their methods of securing names to petitions, resorting to forgery even, not being consistent with the high sounding progressive platitudes of the Herald, which would have us believe that the morals of the community were confined to the cast-off Republicans, A. P. A.'s and down-and-outers, who comprise the Bull Moose party locally. It is even rumored that forgery was perpetrated in the select petition published in the Herald of the men on the tobacco breaks, who indomitable Axton, the machine candidate. In addition, one of the signers stated to a representative of this paper that many of the signers were indignant that Axton used the endorsement for campaign purposes, and that it was only intended as an expression of regard from a business standpoint as a sort of bait to his wounded feelings from the attack he is receiving on all sides, and especially from the Reichert camp.

The exposure of the methods used in trying to dig up matter against the administration in these columns last week must have had some effect, ex-Chief Haager having gone to Panama, while the contractors, who waxed fat during former administrations, but who are now "agin the government," have grown very passive and are not at present using as able allies of the Progressives.

## OLD LIE

That Was Exploded Years Ago Now Used as Menace Star Story.

Appearance of This Hoary Old Tale Causes But Little Surprise.

Lengths to Which the Desperate Un-American Guardians Will Go.

## CAN NOT VERIFY STATEMENTS

The people publishing the Menace evidently have a good memory along with a very fruitful imagination. Fruitful as they are in inventing new species of defamation, they seem to feel bound to have recourse to many of the old stories circulated by the A. P. A. people some twenty years ago. In their desire to malign, they tell stories from the A. P. A. publications, change the dates and places, and dish them up to a public all too eager for sensation and too critical as to their truth or untruth.

One of the pet stories of the A. P. A. publications told of so and so many thousands of rifles being stored in this or that church, to be used by Catholics on a certain day against Protestants. Those who have been watching the recent campaign of anti-Catholic publications have been waiting for this hoary old tale to be dish up again. And lo and behold! Now that the public is sufficiently prepared the Menace of July 5 issues the old tale, tells this lay of the ancient malinger. In the issue mentioned the paper, telling of an alleged assault upon "ex-priest Jeremiah J. Crowley," of Oelwein, Iowa, says literally, "There is a story going the rounds in Oelwein that there are 1,000 Winchester rifles stored in the basement of the hall of the Sacred Heart church. This is a building that stands directly in back of the church proper. It was formerly the church proper." etc. "A Roman Catholic, one of the 'good' kind, who is within the inner circle, let the rat out of the bag in a spirit of boastfulness in these words, after the attempt to kill Crowley: 'We have 1,000 guns in the basement of the old church building and a dozen rounds of shots and when the time comes we are going to make good use of them on you dirty Protestants.'"

Needless to say there was no intention or attempt to "kill Crowley" at Oelwein; but we are used to hearing the Menace make statements which can not be verified. The interesting feature, and the one we want to direct particular attention to, is the repetition of the old story of the rifles which the True American, the American Idea, the American, the Loyal American, the Rocky Mountain American and other so-called "American" A. P. A. publications loved to tell in the early part of the nineties. Even this story was not new, being copied from Know-Nothing publications.

The foregoing and other stories were made much of in the A. P. A. papers in their day. All that the people at Aurora, Mo., had to do was to copy a line or two from the old publications and substitute the name of Oelwein for one or two of the names contained in these stories. The trick is simple, but none the less vicious, and merely shows to what lengths these un-American Guardians of Liberty will go in their hatred of Rome.

The fact that the Menace is now copying both the tactics of the old Know-Nothings and the A. P. A. movement and their very campaign material, shows not only a great lack of originality but also a degree of malice entirely foreign to the American mind. It would be wasting space to defend Catholics against such accusations and malignant suspicions. The very fact that the Menace is still running this story is sufficient proof that Catholics pursue just the opposite course of that ascribed to them by that paper. Says Editor Windle in a recent issue of the Iconoclast, speaking of Catholics and defending them against the accusation of contemptible violence raised by the Menace: "If a hundredth part of what Walker says against Catholics were true, his outfit would have been blown to hell long ago."

## VISITED HER PARENTS.

Charity, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Jacques, of St. Cecilia's parish, has been spending a few days visiting her parents at 2422 St. Xavier street. Sister Fidelis came from Newburyport, Mass., and was en route to Nazareth for the annual retreat of her sisterhood. Before leaving the world for the conventual life Sister Fidelis was one of the most exemplary and popular girls of the West End, and during her brief stay hundreds of admiring friends called at the home of her parents to greet her.

## CATHOLIC UNION OFFICERS.

The Catholic Young Men's National Union concluded its thirty-third annual convention at Detroit on Wednesday with the election of officers and the selection of Cambridge Springs, Pa., for the 1914 convention. Officers elected were:

Spiritual Director, the Right Rev. Edward D. Kelly, Detroit; President, William Henry Gallagher, Detroit; First Vice President, William H. Webber, Philadelphia; Second Vice President, William Jansen, Buffalo; Third Vice President, John Leary, Pittsburgh; Secretary, Charles Steiner, Detroit; Treasurer, Harry K. Murray, Philadelphia. The convention was the most largely attended and successful yet held.

## INTEREST IN MEETING.

The meeting of Division 3, A. O. H., held Monday night, was one of the most interesting of the year and was largely attended. One candidate was obligated and another reported favorably. Reports of the Financial Secretary and Treasurer were read and showed a nice sum in the treasury despite the heavy expenditures. Members believe the degree team has a surprise to spring soon, as of late the members have been keeping their movements quiet. Receipts from the Hibernian Social Club, moonlight are still coming in and it is expected a most gratifying statement will be submitted at the meeting on August 4. The division was honored by the presence of County Secretary Langan, who delivered a most excellent address. Interesting short talks were made by Sergeant John M. Maloney, Attorney Lawrence J. Mackey, Magistrate P. T. Sullivan, John Karman, Thomas Noon and others. Next month the Social Club will give a moving picture show at one of the West End theaters.

## NARROW ESCAPE.

Engineer William Curley and Fireman R. C. Ludlow and C. A. Leatherman, all of the Illinois Central and residents of this city, had narrow escapes from death last Sunday afternoon, when their engine and the baggage car and smoker jumped the track near Central City. Despite the heroic efforts of the engine crew and the appliances of the city brakes the engine and tender crashed down a twelve-foot embankment and were followed by the baggage car, which almost stood on end. Engineer Curley and Fireman Ludlow were rescued from the smashed engine cab by passengers and other members of the train crew. Both were unconscious and suffering from various cuts and injuries to their legs. They are now being cared for at St. Mary and Elizabeth's Hospital. Passengers of the train were unanimous in praising Curley, who insisted that the passengers be cared for before the doctors on the scene attended to his own injuries. Curley is one of the most valued of the I. C. engineers. He has served the road since 1878, during which time he has acquired the reputation of being a fearless but careful driver.

## LOSS BY FIRE.

Fire originating from some unknown cause totally destroyed the grocery and stable of Councilman Charles J. Finegan, Nineteenth and Owen streets, causing heavy loss and damage. For a time a big conflagration was threatened, as the flames communicated to the residences of Miss Mary Stehler, Will Bradley, Joe Murta and J. E. Roberts but the heroic work of the firemen saved them. Two men, Tom Riley and Charles Sheehan, were overcome by the smoke while trying to save two horses. Councilman Finegan will continue in business and will erect a new store building.

## WARM LAWN SUPPER.

A lawn lotto and euchre party will be given for the benefit of St. Columba's church next Tuesday and Wednesday on the beautiful church grounds at Thirty-fifth and Market streets. Each afternoon and evening many elegant prizes will be distributed after the euchre and lotto games, which will be played in the open air. Besides other interesting attractions one of the features of this lawn fete will be the appearance and appetizing warm supper that will be served by the ladies of this congregation. Father Kalaher, the pastor, and his assistants promise an entertainment that can not be surpassed.

## NICK CAREY DEAD.

Nicholas Carey, one of the best known members of the Louisville police force, fell a victim to the extreme heat of last week. While on duty at the West Broadway police station, where he was station-keeper, he expired suddenly Friday afternoon, his body being found on the floor where he had fallen. His wife and several children survive him. The funeral was held Monday morning from St. Louis Bertrand's church, of which he had been a member since coming to this city from Bowling Green many years ago.

## KNIGHT AS SANTA CLAUS.

Charles H. Knight, the next Democratic State Senator from the Thirty-sixth district, was the fortunate winner of the two large candy prizes at St. Paul's church picnic on Wednesday evening, and generously gave his winning to the orphans of St. Joseph's and St. Vincent Orphan Asylums, playing midsummer Kris Kringle, so to speak.

## COMES FOR BRIDE.

The marriage of Miss Harriet N. Hancock, of New Albany, Ind., and Ernest L. Blandford was solemnized Wednesday evening at St. Cecilia's church. The couple left after the ceremony for Chicago, where they will make their home. Mr. Blandford is a son of Eugene Blandford, Chief Deputy of the Jefferson County Jail, and for some time has been connected with the freight department of the Chicago office of the Illinois Central railroad.

## NEXT JUNE

The Irish Parliament in Dublin Will Be Brought Into Existence.

Asquith Declares Home Rule Is Certain of Passage in the Commons.

Names Are Being Discussed For Chiefs of the New Irish Government.

## EVERYTHING GOING STRAIGHT

Regarding the home rule bill Hon. T. P. O'Connor cabled Sunday that more importance was attached to the speeches in the House of Lords during the home rule debate than to the rejection of the bill, for its rejection had been anticipated for weeks. The debate was carried on amid an atmosphere of uninterrupted amonance and with a small attendance from the public, but what has interested and excited the public is the extraordinary spectacle of the House of Lords still talking and acting as if the Parliament act had not become a law and as if the situation remained exactly the same as when the House of Lords had an omnipotent voice over the fate of all Liberal legislation.

Lord Curzon was notable even among the Peers for his arrogance of character, appearance and opinions and pushed this doctrine so far as to assert that even if another general election were to result in favor of home rule the House of Lords would still claim the right to amend in any way it pleased. This declaration, the most extreme pronounced for centuries, has become the watchword of the Liberals throughout the country. It is placed in "scare heads" over Liberal articles and figures in caricatures with Curzon addressing the House of Commons as a black beetle. It is calculated to rouse every popular assembly to shouts of laughter or rage.

Similarly in Ulster Carson keeps on repeating threats of civil war and holds reviews of skeleton battalions of his unarmed warriors. It is significant of the blind fury and the absence of all power of rational appreciation of the political situation that the Tories have now convinced themselves that Asquith will "funk" in carrying through the home rule bill, and some Tory prophets even go to the length of saying that Asquith will retire from office next February. This extraordinary illusion has proved too much for a moderate Unionist organ like the Birmingham Post, which publicly warns its Tory readers that Asquith's retirement until he has put home rule on the statute book is unthinkable, and that he remains inflexible in his resolve to succeed in settling the Irish question where Gladstone failed.

Asquith, at the private dinner with the Irish members last week, left no doubt upon that point, declaring that the passage of home rule next year was as certain as that he was on his legs addressing them. Another widespread rumor, equally ridiculous, is circulated by some stupid fellows among the Liberal journalists and by one Liberal Peer to the effect that another general election will take place before the Irish Parliament comes into existence, and that thus the Tories will be given an opportunity of preventing it ever meeting if they win that election. Some people even add to that story the additional fable that Asquith and Redmond have come to an understanding on the sitting of the Irish Parliament. No such understanding was suggested, discussed or even thought of. The Irish Parliament will be brought into existence the first possible moment after the bill passes into law. It will probably be a law in June and possibly in May, and within a few days after Redmond will be made Prime Minister of Ireland, and six months after the passage of the act the Irish Parliament will be elected and sitting in Dublin.

Already preliminary arrangements are being made with a view to accelerating this change. Irish government documents are being studied and soon will be prepared and all the necessary proclamations also are being investigated. The final method suggested to make the passage of the home rule bill impossible will be to create scenes of disorder in the House of Commons and preventing it from doing any business whatever. But English people will not tolerate an attempt to break up their seven century old legislature by such hoodlomanism. In short, the Liberal Ministers and the Irish members are so confident of everything going straight as a bullet to the allotted end that already names are being discussed for chiefs of the Irish offices.

## ST. LEO'S PICNIC.

One of the last and most popular picnics of the season will be that of St. Leo's church, of Highland Park, on the church grounds, on Wednesday, August 6, afternoon and evening. An elegant country dinner will be made by Eugene Blandford, Chief Deputy of the Jefferson County Jail, and for some time has been connected with the freight department of the Chicago office of the Illinois Central railroad.